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1. The information disclosure statement filed 13 July 2004 has been considered and is attached. No change is deemed necessary for the rejection or allowance of this case.

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2. This case has been forwarded back to the Board of Appeals.

Conclusion

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Steve Blau whose telephone number is (571) 272-4406. The examiner is available Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.. If the examiner is unavailable you can contact his supervisor Greg Vidovich whose telephone number is (571) 272-4415. Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0858. (TC 3700 Official Fax 703-872-9306)

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